

(e) assist needy claimants in the preparation and filing of claims;

(f) make such investigations as may be necessary;

(g) make expenditures for witness fees and mileage and for other administrative expenses;

(h) prescribe such rules and regulations, perform such acts not inconsistent with law, and delegate such authority as he may deem proper in carrying out the provisions of this Act.

#### APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 7. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated for the purposes of this Act such sums as Congress may from time to time determine to be necessary.

Approved July 2, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 815]

##### AN ACT

Authorizing the conveyance of certain lands in Park County, Wyoming, to the State of Wyoming.

July 2, 1948

[H. R. 4462]

[Public Law 887]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to issue a patent to the State of Wyoming for the east half of the northeast quarter, section 36, township 58 north, range 100 west, of the sixth principal meridian, in Park County, Wyoming, subject to any existing lease or leases: *Provided*, That title to said land shall be held and considered to have been vested in the State of Wyoming on July 10, 1890.

Park County, Wyo.  
Issuance of patent.

Approved July 2, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 816]

##### AN ACT

To amend the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944 to extend the benefits of such Act to certain mothers of veterans.

July 2, 1948

[H. R. 5908]

[Public Law 888]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That (a) clause (5) of section 2 of the Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, as amended, is amended by striking out "and were widows at the time of the death or disability of their ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter".

(b) Clause (6) of section 2 of such Act, as amended, is amended by striking out "(B) The mother was divorced or separated from the father of said ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter, and (C) said ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter is the only child of said mother", and inserting in lieu thereof "(B) The mother was divorced or separated from the father of said ex-serviceman son or ex-servicewoman daughter, and (C) the mother has not remarried."

Veterans' Preference Act of 1944, amendment.  
*Ante*, p. 3.

Approved July 2, 1948.

#### [CHAPTER 817]

##### AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Army, the Secretary of the Navy, and the Secretary of the Air Force to donate excess and surplus property for educational purposes.

July 2, 1948

[H. R. 5882]

[Public Law 889]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the Secretary of the Army, Secretary of the Navy, and Secretary of the Air Force

Donation of surplus property for educational purposes.